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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : David C. Rueger and Marjorie M. Tucker

Application No.: 08/822,186

Confirmation No.: 6062

Filed : March 20, 1997

For : IMPROVED OSTEOGENIC DEVICES AND METHODS OF
USE THEREOF FOR REPAIR OF ENDOCHONDRAL
BONE AND OSTEOCHONDRAL DEFECTS

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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New York, New York
August 27, 2001

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to a February 26, 2001 Office Action. With the extension, a response is due on or before August 27, 2001 since August 26th is a Sunday. A check in the amount of \$445.00 in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge the amount of any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment

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of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

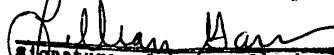
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